BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 97-230-C - ORDER NO. 97-716



AUGUST 19, 1997

IN RE: Application of Hart Communications for) ORDER a Certificate of Public Convenience and) GRANTING Necessity to Provide Alternative Local) EXTENSION Exchange Service throughout the State) of South Carolina.

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) as per the request of Hart Communications (Hart or the Company) for an extension of one (1) week to prefile its testimony and exhibits in this Docket. By Order No. 97-499, dated June 9, 1997, this Commission established prefiling deadlines in this Docket.

By its request, the Company requests an extension of one (1) week to August 14, 1997 in which to prefile its testimony and exhibits. The Commission notes that there are no intervenors in this Docket and believes that no prejudice would result from the granting of the extension.

Upon consideration of this matter, the Commission concludes and so finds that the request of Hart for an extension until August 14, 1997 to prefile the testimony and exhibits of its

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witness should be granted. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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